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25X1 6. [ ] Mr. Maury and [ ] met with Representative Richard Poff and provided him with the aide-memoire he had requested regarding the language which we had inserted in the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1967. Present during our discussion was Mr. Bryan Gettings, a member of a House task force, which has been established to deal with this legislation. We discussed with Mr. Poff the various alternatives available to the House on this bill: referral to the Judiciary Committee, recession on the part of the House with acceptance of the Senate language, or appointment of conferees. Mr. Poff is reasonably certain that he will be one of the House conferees if that course is followed. He was most understanding and cooperative and said he would do everything he could to see that the language which we had inserted in the bill in the Senate would remain.

25X1 7. [ ] Mrs. Olga Watkins, on the staff of Representative William Bates, referred to us a newspaper, Circulo Internacional de Cultura, which had been sent to the Congressman from Guatamala in an unstamped envelope. Mrs. Watkins was interested in any information we might be able to give the Congressman regarding the newspaper. She also thought it might be of interest to us.

25X1 Mr. Maury and [ ] took advantage of the opportunity to talk further with Mr. Bates on the follow-up information he had requested concerning a sensitive Agency program which is being terminated. Mr. Bates had previously expressed some confusion regarding the distinctions between this program and others similar to it. Mr. Bates expressed deep concern over the growing problems in this country and somewhat in this connection, expressed concern over the lack of frequent CIA Subcommittee meetings. He felt that in the present atmosphere the Agency and the Committee were subject to severe criticism for lack of adequate congressional oversight. We also discussed with Mr. Bates ways and means for keeping the Chairman and himself informed on matters of interest to them. He indicated that the best procedure was to keep in touch with Russ Blandford, of the Armed Services Committee staff, and also be certain Mr. Blandford kept Mr. Bates informed.